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In re Patent Application of

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Serial No. 10/016,119

Filed: December 17, 2001



Atty. Ref.: 850-19

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Examiner:

For: SATELLITE BROADCAST RECEIVING AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.102(c) and Section 708.02, Part IV of the MPEP, applicant hereby petitions to make this application SPECIAL, so that the application may be advanced out of turn for examination on the merits. In support of this petition, applicant has attached the Declarations of inventors James A. Green, Sr. and Austin S. Coker, Jr.

In accordance with paragraph (c), no fee is due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which should have been filed herewith to our Account No. 14-1140.

Having complied with the requirements set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.102 and Section 708.02 of the MPEP, applicant requests prompt affirmative action on the Petition, and early passage to issue of the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION OF JAMES A. GREEN, SR.

I, the inventor in the above-identified application, do hereby declare:

1. I was born on November 2, 1922.

2. I am 80 years old.

3. I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date:

Feb. 20, 2003

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DECLARATION OF AUSTIN S. COKER, JR.

I, the inventor in the above-identified application, do hereby declare:

1. I was born on May 22, 1934.
2. I am 69 years old.
3. I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date:

Aug. 20, 2003
Austin S. Coker, Jr.